



The *Sealth*'s journey to Lake Union Drydock

On Monday morning, the *Sealth* was towed from Eagle Harbor Maintenance Facility on Bainbridge Island, through Seattle's Lake Washington Ship Canal, to Lake Union Drydock for maintenance.

Curious Washingtonians followed the journey of the *Sealth* using the WSF [Vessel Watch](#) and by following our updates on [Twitter](#). Thank you to everyone who joined us at the Hiram M. Chittenden Locks in Ballard and to those who found other great viewpoints along the way. We received many wonderful photos and videos on Twitter and were happy to see so many of our ferry fans!



*Ferry fans watch the *Sealth* pass through the Hiram M. Chittenden Locks in Ballard.*

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SR 104 closed Aug. 1 to 5; detour to Kingston Terminal

From Monday, Aug. 1 through Friday, Aug. 5, State Route 104 will be closed between Miller Bay Road NE and Barber Cut Off Road. Kingston ferry traffic will be detoured during this time. Please follow detour signs and expect delays while WSDOT crews dig out and install a new culvert at Grovers Creek.

This project is part of an effort to improve fish passage in Grovers, Gamble, and Dogfish creeks. More information about the project is available on the project [website](#). Thank you for your patience!

Paddle to Nisqually

On Thursday, a WSF team member caught a photo of the [Paddle to Nisqually](#) canoes leaving Alki Beach. The canoe journey crossed many of our ferry routes and customers and crew have enjoyed



The Sealth in Lake Union, sailing by the Seattle skyline.

Mark your calendar for upcoming community meetings in the San Juan Islands!

I will be traveling in the San Juan Islands with staff on Aug. 9 to Aug. 11 to meet with local officials and members of the public. We will host community meetings on Orcas, San Juan, Shaw, and Lopez islands. I encourage you to join us at the following meetings:

Orcas Island

[Orcas Island Senior Center](#)

62 Henry Road, Eastsound
Tuesday, Aug. 9
4:30 – 6:30 p.m.

San Juan Island

[San Juan Island Yacht Club](#)

273 Front Street, Friday Harbor
Wednesday, Aug. 10
4 – 6 p.m.

Shaw Island

[Shaw Island Community Center](#)

Thursday, Aug. 11
10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Lopez Island

[Lopez Island Community Center](#)

204 Village Road, Lopez Island
Thursday, Aug. 11
4 – 5:30 p.m.

catching glimpses as the canoes make their way to the landing in Nisqually tomorrow.



Crew kudos

A customer recently shared this story with us via

[Facebook page:](#)

"To the ferry worker at the terminal leaving Seattle to Bainbridge [Island], THANK YOU! Our car battery died and [he] ran full speed to jump our battery and once the first box didn't work, ran back and got another contraption to jump us successfully. He made sure we got a spot on the departing ferry. It's people like you in this world that make it great. Very kind and happy to help. We are so grateful for you and that we are on our way home and not stuck waiting for help and another ferry!"

- Seattle/Bainbridge customer

WSF Excellence Award for Chief Engineer John Rossart

I just love hearing about employees who go above and beyond their daily duties to help others. Recently, Chief Engineer John Rossart jumped into action to help prevent a potentially serious safety incident. While standing on the transfer span waiting to board the *Elwha*, John observed an SUV with a loose trailer hitch. The trailer hitch fell to the ground and the trailer started to slide into offloading traffic and toward employees and customers on the deck. He alerted deckhands to stop traffic and get out of the way, grabbed a pair of wheel chocks and threw them under the wheels of the trailer, stopping the trailer from sliding into the vehicles and personnel aboard the vessel. Director of Vessels Matt Von Ruden and Port Captain Jay Mooney presented John with the WSF Excellence Award for his quick thinking.



Chetzemoka Reliability Award

Director of Vessels Matt Von Ruden and Port Captain Jay Mooney presented the crew of the *Chetzemoka* with the 2015 Reliability Award. The Reliability Award honors the Staff Chiefs, Engine Room crews, and Eagle Harbor maintenance facility crafts who contributed to the vessel's year-long 100% reliability. Pictured below are Staff Chief Ken Tietge, Oiler Eric Moushegian, Oiler Fred Mullan, Jay Mooney, and Matt Von Ruden.



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